



THE SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND BAY BRIDGE SEISMIC SAFETY PROJECTS

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The Bay Bridge Will Be CLOSED Labor Day Weekend 2009

FULL BRIDGE CLOSURE DURING HOLIDAY WEEKEND

This Labor Day weekend, crews will be replacing a section of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge east of the Yerba Buena Island Tunnel, to connect the bridge to a temporary detour. This work is part of the Bay Bridge Seismic Safety Projects, designed to bring the structure up to current earthquake standards.

In 2006 and 2007, we took advantage of historically light holiday bridge traffic to successfully complete complex phases of work, while minimizing disruptions to motorists, residents and businesses during those Labor Day weekends.

Experience gained from previous closures will help us perform this complicated construction feat safely again this year.

THE BAY BRIDGE DETOUR TIE-IN

A 300-foot double-deck section of the bridge weighing thousands of tons will be cut and slid away. A new double-deck section will be moved into place, allowing traffic to flow for the next few years on a half-mile long detour structure connecting the East Span to the Yerba Buena Island Tunnel. All of this will be done 150 feet in the air. This traffic shift will allow crews to demolish a portion of the original bridge, and build a new (permanent) connection from the tunnel to the new East Span.

When the bridge reopens to traffic, motorists will experience a slightly different drive. The roadway will curve to the south, requiring drivers to slow down while approaching or leaving the Yerba Buena Island Tunnel. On the detour, the speed limit will be reduced from 50 mph to 40 mph.

BayBridgeInfo.org features information on this massive engineering feat, including closure details and video simulations of the construction and drivethroughs on the new detour.

GETTING AROUND

Residents and visitors will have numerous alternatives for getting around the Bay Area while the entire Bay Bridge is closed during Labor Day weekend.

Motorists should allow extra time for travel and use of other bridges, including the Golden Gate Bridge, the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, the San Mateo-Hayward Bridge and the Dumbarton Bridge.

Access to Yerba Buena Island and Treasure Island for residents, employees and visitors will be maintained via special permit.

For updates on other transit options, including ferries, BART and MUNI, be sure to visit **BayBridgeInfo.org**, which features up-to-date and detailed information on transit alternatives. Check back often for the latest updates.

Stay informed!

For more information, visit:

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BayBridgeInfo.org



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planning, visit **511**

THE BAY BRIDGE DETOUR TIE-IN

The Bay Bridge has served commuters for 72 years. A series of massive retrofit projects is now bringing it up to current earthquake standards.



How we will connect the detour to the East Span ...in less than 4 days.



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FULL BRIDGE CLOSURE

The bridge will be closed to traffic in both directions. The new section of roadway connecting the detour to the bridge has been constructed south of the existing bridge, 150 feet in the air.



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CONNECTING THE DETOUR

The new roadway connecting the detour to the bridge will be rolled into place using the same rail system.



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CUTTING ORIGINAL BRIDGE

Crews will cut away a 300-foot section of bridge near Yerba Buena Island.



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BRIDGE REOPENS

The bridge will reopen to traffic after all of the work has been completed.



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BRIDGE SECTION MOVED

Cut away section of bridge is rolled to the north of existing bridge on rails.

For more information, visit BayBridgeInfo.org or contact:

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